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GUIDE AGENCIES FOR TOURISTS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have set up guide-agencies in public and private sectors to provide guidance/assistance to tourists in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a): No, Sir. However, Department of Tourism conducts Regional Level training courses for Guides at the various tourist centres according to the assessed requirements. On successful completion of the Guide Training course, participants are issued a licence which enables them to work as trained guides in the private sector.

(b): Department of Tourism has laid down guidelines for the selection of guides, their academic qualifications, screening procedure etc.